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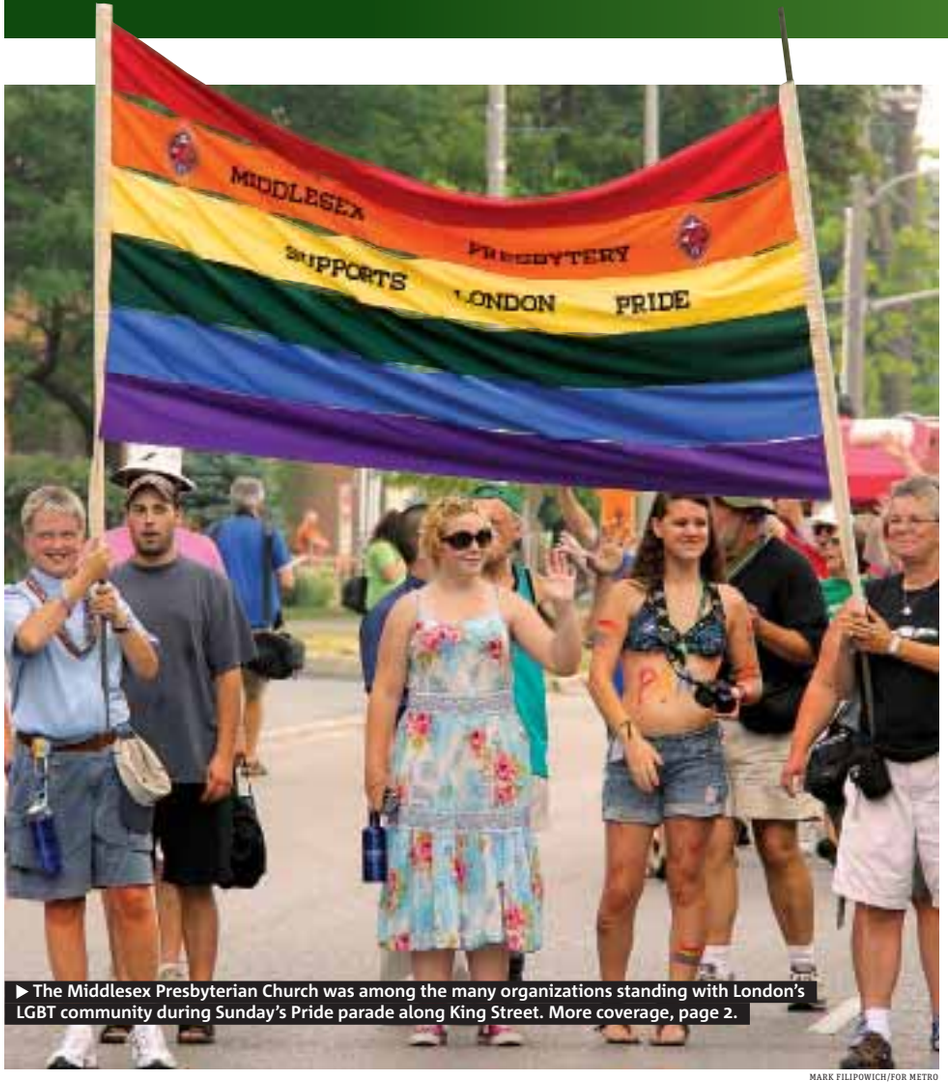

▶ The Middlesex Presbyterian Church was among the many organizations standing with London's LGBT community during Sunday's Pride parade along King Street. More coverage, page 2.

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Mayor, city's finest join Pride

- Festival included dance, film and art show
- Parade from Rectory to Clarence streets

For almost three decades, London has held an annual Pride festival to support the city's LGBT community, and each year the event has only grown bigger and become more established.

This year's festival, however, concluded with unprecedented support. For the first time yesterday, London's mayor, police department and fire department officially participated in the parade.

"This is history-making," said Deb Al-Hamza, London Pride's president and the festival's main organizer.

Thousands flocked to see the Pride Parade make its way from the Western Fair grounds to King and Clarence streets.

Among the paraders were members of the LGBT community, city officials and organizations proud to support diversity in London.

At a rally in the parking lot at King and Clarence after the parade, a teary Al-Hamza listened to Mayor Joe Fontana, MPP Deb Matthews and Chief of Police Bradley Duncan express their pride and solidarity with the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities.

"Official support is really important to the (LGBT) community," Al-Hamza said. MARK FILIPOWICH

Religious protest

- A small group of protesters carrying signs reading "Man + Woman = Family" and "God Created Adam and Eve" awaited the parade outside of the Citi Plaza mall.
- LGBT supporters carried their own brightly coloured signs reading "Gay is OK" and other pro-Pride messages.

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No haltin' Dalton now

Premier Dalton McGuinty is promising to stick around if his Liberal party is re-elected in the Ontario election this fall.

Last January, the Liberal leader wouldn't say whether he'd stick it out for four more years, but now he says he's made up his mind.

McGuinty says Ontario needs experienced leadership, and he's the only party leader who fits the bill.

The premier made the comments at a Liberal gathering north of Toronto where he fired up the party faithful with a speech that hinted at his yet-to-be-released election platform.

McGuinty says the province will face a lot of challenges over the next decade — including dealing with a Conservative government in Ottawa — but his political rivals aren't looking that far ahead.

The NDP and Tories mocked McGuinty's pitch, saying while they've put out their platforms, the Liberals have yet to offer any concrete ideas.

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▶ Dalton McGuinty

Mayor first to do Pride proud

MARK FILIPOWICH/FOR METRO

▶ Mayor Joe Fontana, centre, in car, is London's first mayor to participate in the Pride parade.

Joe Fontana makes history as first London mayor in Pride parade

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Near the front of London's 17th Pride parade yesterday was Joe Fontana, the first city mayor to personally participate in the festival.

"I didn't even know I was going to be the first mayor to attend. I wanted to be in (the parade) because it's right," he said as the last marchers reached the end of the route.

Fontana spoke to hundreds of LGBT supporters at a rally after the parade.

He said London's future role in human rights and equality is firm: "London is no longer going to be a follower. We are going to be a leader of equality and diversity."

Fontana compared the community of London to an inclusive family.

"It's all about making sure that London is compassionate and caring, that everyone in our community is a family member," he said. "We have to nourish and care for our family.… We're stronger because of our inclusiveness, not weaker."

Institutions such as Pride London and events like Pride Week are especially significant to support inclusiveness, the mayor said.

"To be the mayor and to say, 'Happy Pride' celebrates our diversity, and (I want to) make sure the LGBT community feels included," Fontana said. "It's very, very important to me as the mayor and very, very important to us as a city."

A brief history

- Organizers said this was London's 28th Pride Festival and the city's 17th Pride Parade.
- Planning for each Pride Festival begins in October of the year before.

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News in brief

Female held after stabbing

DUFFERIN AVE. An overnight stabbing in the city's east end early yesterday morning has one person in custody. It happened around 3:45 a.m. in the 900 block of Dufferin Avenue. A man suffered serious injuries in the stabbing, and police have a female suspect in custody. There's no word on a motive behind the stabbing, or whether any charges will be laid.

AM980/AM980.CA

Garage blaze quickly put out

KINGSBRIDGE ST. City police and fire officials are investigating a fire in the southwest part of London early Saturday morning. It happened just before 5 a.m. on Kingsbridge Street. The blaze damaged a detached garage as well as a neighbouring fence and deck. It was quickly put out. Officials were still trying to determine the cause, though the fire was not considered suspicious. No word on a damage estimate at this point.

AM980/AM980.CA

Woman injured in propane fire

ST. THOMAS. A woman has been taken to hospital with serious injuries after what police are calling a significant propane fire. Staff Sgt. Randy Mundt of St. Thomas police told AM980 how the incident occurred. "It looks as though a cab … refuelled with propane, and as it departed the refuel station, it caught fire," he said. It happened just before noon yesterday.

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Be a kids-centre puppeteer

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED. Thames Valley Children's Centre's Kids on the Block Program is seeking volunteer puppeteers. For more information, contact Denise at denise.rowse@tvcc.on.ca. METRO

No tornado, but storm packed a punch

Eight severe-weather-resistant transmission towers blown over More than 13,000 were without power

Residents in southwest Ontario were assessing the damage yesterday following a storm that had prompted Environment Canada to issue tornado warning for the London area Saturday night.

Warnings were issued for parts of Lambton, Elgin and Middlesex counties but were called off after a few hours.

John McGrail, who lives in a rural area between Sarnia and London, said the storm moved the barn on his property off its foundation and knocked down several trees.

McGrail said one of the trees damaged his garage but his house was otherwise OK.

Environment Canada didn't receive any reports of tornadoes.

McGrail said the storm only lasted for about 30 seconds but during that time it felt like a tornado.

"It was a heck of a storm there for a few seconds," he said. "Everything was just a white mess of wind and rain blowing."

Hydro One said the storm knocked down eight of its big steel transmission towers in the area.

"It's definitely an unusual circumstance, not a frequent occurrence," said Hydro One spokeswoman Nancy Shaddick.

Hydro was working early yesterday to reroute its grid to restore power to its customers. More than 13,000 lost power Saturday night. One storm formed near London, while a second formed southeast of Sarnia, Environment Canada said.

Some customers for Sarnia's Bluewater Power and London Hydro were also affected.

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Storm warning

- Environment Canada issued a brief tornado warning for London and surrounding areas around 8:40 p.m. Saturday. The warning was lifted just before 9:30 p.m.
- No twister touched down in London.

Raine. Rocks

▶ Our Lady Peace lead singer Raine Maida performs at Harris Park Saturday during the Rock the Park festival.

GEOFFREY MCMURRAY/FOR METRO

Rock bands thrill fans at the park

A large crowd of supporters chanted "O-L-P" on Saturday prior to Our Lady Peace taking the stage. Rains that came after the band's set sent fans scurrying for cover before headlining act Stone Temple Pilots played after the delay.

"At this point we know that the pedestrian was struck and the vehicle involved has failed to remain." CONST. STACY CULBERT

Pedestrian killed

Oxford OPP suspect a hit-and-run occurred after a pedestrian was found dead along the 401 shortly before 6 a.m. yesterday morning. AM980/AM980.CA

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▶ Jeannette Coleman, right, holds back tears as she and Kawane Harris, both of New York, arrive to get married at the Manhattan City Clerk's office yesterday.

Gay couples tie knots in N.Y.

City officials conducted 823 ceremonies Participants allowed to exchange vows moments after receiving licenses

Hundreds of gay couples recited vows in emotion-choked voices and triumphantly hoisted their long-awaited marriage certificates yesterday as New York became the sixth and largest state to recognize same-sex weddings.

Couples began saying "I do" at midnight from Niagara Falls to Long Island, though New York City became the sometimes raucous centre of action.

Meanwhile, thousands of protesters rallied in several cities around the state, a signal that the long fight for recognition may not be over just yet.

New York's adoption of legal same-sex marriage is viewed as a pivotal moment in the national gay-rights movement and was expected to galvanize supporters and opponents alike.

The state joined Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont, along with Washington, D.C., when it voted last month to legalize gay marriage.

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Angry Protests

Thousands of opponents of gay marriage took their dissent to the streets.

▶ **The National Organization** for Marriage held rallies in New York City, Albany, Rochester and Buffalo.

INTELLIGENCE FINDINGS

RCMP kept tabs on renowned academic

Canada's intelligence service spied on renowned literary scholar Northrop Frye, closely eyeing his involvement in the anti-Vietnam War movement, an academic forum on China and efforts to end apartheid in South Africa.

Newly released archival records show the RCMP Security Service relied on a secret informant to help compile a 142-page file on the esteemed University of Toronto professor, who died in 1991 at age 78. A bespectacled academic, Frye seems an unlikely counter-intelligence target. But the Mounties were wary of anyone deemed influential among the burgeoning New Left and monitored universities, the media, churches and political organizations during the Cold War.

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Evacuees may soon return

The Ontario government says the 3,600 people evacuated from their communities because of fires in the northern part of the province could be able to return soon.

Deputy Community Safety Minister Ian Davidson says officials will decide which people get to return first based on the safety of the places they're returning to and the capacity of the government to move them back.

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Norway suspect sought crusade

Anders Breivik released manifesto with anti-Muslim rants Doctor says gunman used special bullets

The man blamed for killing at least 93 people during terrorist attacks on Norway's government headquarters and an island retreat for young people wanted to trigger an anti-Muslim revolution in Norwegian society, his lawyer said yesterday.

The manifesto that 32-year-old suspect Anders Behring Breivik published online ranted against Muslim immigration to Europe and vowed revenge on those "indigenous Europeans" whom he deemed had betrayed their heritage. The document said they would be punished for their "treasonous acts."

▶ Breivik

Police said they were analyzing the approximately 1,500-page document. They said it was published Friday shortly before the back-to-back bomb and gun attacks.

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Ammo 'exploded'

- Dr. Colin Poole, head of surgery at Ringriket Hospital in Honefoss, northwest of Oslo, told The Associated Press the gunman used special bullets designed to disintegrate inside the body and cause maximum internal damage.
- Poole said surgeons treating 16 gunshot victims have recovered no full bullets. "These bullets more or less exploded inside the body."

PAULA BRONSTEIN/GETTY IMAGES

▶ Friends and loved ones gather at the Oslo Cathedral yesterday to mourn 93 victims killed in twin terror attacks in Norway: a bombing in downtown Oslo and a mass shooting on nearby Utoya island.

Canadians reach out

Flowers and a sign left on the Norwegian war memorial on the Halifax waterfront this weekend expressed heartfelt concern for the nearly 100 people who were killed in a horrifying terrorist attack.

"It's a terrible thing. The country is in total shock," said Steinar Engeset, who has worked in the Royal Norwegian Consulate in Dartmouth for more than 40 years. He said he took photos of the thoughtful sign and wants to send it to Norwegian newspapers to show his countrymen that Canadians care.

JENNIFER TAPLIN

World Vision

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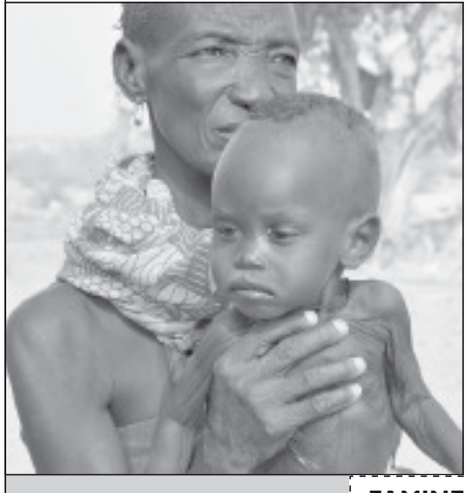

Millions face starvation. Canadian government will match your donation to help children and families.

Deadly hunger is sweeping through Somalia, where the United Nations has declared a famine. Children are dying as it spreads into Kenya and Ethiopia.

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Nova Scotia Nominee Program, Economic Stream Refund

Preliminary Notice

If you paid fees to the Economic Stream of the Nova Scotia Nominee Program, there is a proposed settlement of your claim being considered by the courts. Read this to find out more.

What is this about?

A lawsuit was started against the Province of Nova Scotia in 2009. The goal was to get a refund for people who applied for and paid fees into the former Economic Stream of the Nova Scotia Nominee Program. The Supreme Court of Nova Scotia is now being asked to certify that lawsuit as a class action. Your legal rights may be affected. The lawyers for both sides have made a deal that would give a refund to eligible people. The Supreme Court of Nova Scotia is being asked to approve the settlement as fair and reasonable.

Would I be included if the court approves the settlement?

You would be if you (1) paid money to Nova Scotia under the Economic Stream of the Nova Scotia Nominee Program, (2) landed and obtained permanent resident status in Canada, and (3) did not already get a refund. As long as you told the truth in your application and immigration filings, you should be eligible for a refund.

How much would I get?

If you were not paid anything under a business mentorship, you will get $75,000 less approved legal fees if your claim is successful. If you did receive anything under a business mentorship, your payment will be further reduced by that amount.

Would I have to pay anything out of my own pocket?

No. The lawyers' fees will simply be deducted as set out above. You will not be billed. The amount deducted from your own award for legal fees will be 15% or less. There is a costs award of $450,000 proposed to be paid on account of fees by the government directly. The Supreme Court must approve the lawyer's fee as fair and reasonable.

Can I apply to get my money now?

No. The court has to approve the settlement first. If you would like to make sure that you receive a claim form later, you can email your details to the lawyers for the proposed class. The contact lawyer for the class is Greg McMullen, who can be reached at *gmcmullen@branmac.com* or 604-631-2560.

What do I do if I want to support or oppose the settlement?

Let Greg McMullen know. You can email or mail him your views at *gmcmullen@branmac.com* or 1410-777 Hornby Street, Vancouver BC, V6Z 1S4. You also have the right to attend the hearing, which will take place at The Law Courts Building, 1815 Upper Water St., Halifax on Monday, September 26, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

What if I do not want to be part of the class action if it is approved?

If the settlement is approved, you have the option not to participate. You will be able to complete an opt out form if you do not want to receive any benefits or be bound by the result. If you do not want to take part, you have to opt out. If you opt out, you will not get any benefit from the settlement.

What if too many people opt out?

If more than 50 people opt out, the Province will have the right to cancel the settlement. Neither the Province nor the lawyer for the class expect this to occur however.

I have other questions.

For more information, visit *http://www.branchmacmaster.com/nova-scotia-immigration/*. The formal court documents can be found there. If you still have questions, just contact the lawyer appointed by the court to act for the class, Greg McMullen at Branch MacMaster LLP, at *gmcmullen@branmac.com* or 604-631-2560.

FBI probes News Corp.

Bureau to look for signs of hacking in U.S. PI: News of the World sought 9/11 victims' phone records

The FBI is launching a preliminary review of whether phone hacking and bribery by Rupert Murdoch's media empire violated U.S. laws.

That means Murdoch and his company face investigations on two continents. Depending on what turns up, it could threaten other Murdoch properties, which include the Fox television network.

Published reports say Murdoch's parent company, News Corp., based in New York, is assembling a gold-plated roster of lawyers to deal with any U.S. legal action. News Corp. would not confirm the hirings.

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Dragnet

- **The FBI is looking into** phone-hacking, bribery and any other allegations against Murdoch entities that appear in print or even old court records.
- **That includes an old civil** lawsuit that a unit of News Corp. hacked into computers of a small advertising competitor in New Jersey and obtained confidential information it used to lure away clients.
- **Investigators also plan to** question actor Jude Law about allegations his phone was hacked while he was in the U.S.

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▶ Back in New York after being grilled by British MPs last week, Rupert Murdoch and his media empire, News Corp., face investigation by Scotland Yard and the FBI.

Market moment

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North Korea joins wired world

North Korea is undergoing a digital revolution, even as it grapples with chronic shortages of food and fuel. Its cyberspace policies are among the most restrictive in the world. Yet inside Pyongyang, there's a small but growing digital culture, observers say.

North Korea's biggest IT hub, the state-run Korea Computer Centre, has been around since 1990

Since then, North Korean IT firms have quietly been developing software for banks in the Middle East, applications for cellphone makers in Japan and South Korea and even video games for Nintendo and Playstation, said Paul Tjia, a Dutch IT consultant who works with North Korean companies.

Programmers there have also developed games for Facebook, the iPhone and iPad, Wii and BlackBerry, he said.

But many in the West remain wary, seeing in North Korea's bid to train a generation of computer experts the spectre of hackers launching attacks on the defence systems of rival governments.

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Sudan issues new currency

Sudan has introduced new banknotes and coins stripped of any symbols linked to South Sudan, which declared independence this month after more than 50 years of intermittent war with the north.

South Sudan began using its own currency nearly a week ago.

The Sudanese government began circulating a new edition of the Sudanese pound yesterday as a precautionary measure following the loss of oil revenues resulting from South Sudan's independence. It also went back to using a one-pound coin instead of a banknote.

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A NEW 'PEACE' OF ARTWORK HITS THE ROAD

URBAN COMPASS

JILL ELLIS
METRO LONDON

Greenwashing has become vogue in these days of nearly universal concern about global warming. There's a lot of talk, but not many who walk their talk. One of those who does is Jim Kogelheide.

Known to his thousands of Facebook friends as Peaceman Jim and to hundreds of London school children as Mr. Jim, Kogelheide is a peace activist, artist, art teacher and environmentalist all wrapped up in the guise of a bus driver.

For the past couple of years, he's driven the "peace bus," which is a regular Murphy Lines school bus decorated with art created by the kids who ride it every day to and from school.

Having studied graphic design at Fanshawe College, Kogelheide travelled around the country for five years with wife Joanne Custy, working on the Canada: Glorious to Be national mural project. The duo spent their time creating their art and talking to school kids and community groups about art, peace and the environment. Kogelheide and Custy returned to the city they loved and settled down here in 2004.

"After checking with the boss, he posted some of his own peace-based artwork (on his bus). The kids were intrigued. He threw it out as a challenge and got the kids excited about making art about peace and the environment. He offered a contest to up the ante ..."

Though his Stikman series (stick figures spreading the peace message) has enjoyed some notoriety as he distributed it through the country during his travels, Kogelheide realized that being a full-time artist is a hard way to make a living. But a serendipitous moment came when he was gazing out the window of his Byron home one day, contemplating his next move down his winding life's journey, when a school bus passed by. An epiphany occurred: as a school bus driver, he'd make a steady income and still have time for his twin passions of gardening his veggie patch and volunteering in community organizations that promote sustainable living and environmental causes.

After driving his plain bus for a while, Kogelheide noticed another driver had butterfly drawings all over hers. After checking with the boss, he posted some of his own peace-based artwork. The kids were intrigued. He threw it out as a challenge and got the kids excited about making art about peace and the environment. He offered a contest to up the ante a bit.

The kids love having their artwork displayed on the windows and ceilings of the peace bus, but none are displayed on windows that obstruct sightlines.

The peace bus rocks with kids' voices raised in song and is one of the most colourful on the road. Give it a wave or thumbs up next time the peace bus rolls your way. Check out bitsandpeaces.com.

Contact Jill Ellis at londonurbancompass@metronews.ca

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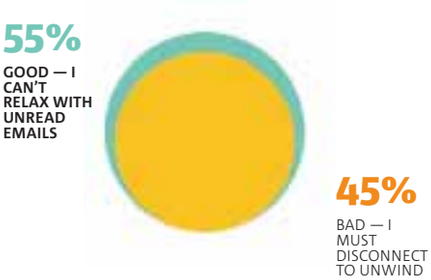
Gadgets on vacation — good or bad?



Local tweets

- **@kylemilec:** It's actually quite the cool morning in #ldnont. Nice change from all the humidity! It's also a short work day so awesome!
- **@jameswilk:** I walked into a restaurant with a pride flag and was served. Some countries would have arrested me. Be loud and be proud #ldnOnt
- **@parismeilleur:** Happy Pride #LDNont! Important to remember how far we've come and those who fought to get us here, esp in places like London. #thankyou
- **@jenyewonkim:** Back in #ldnont -- It's so humid already.. #backtoreality #summer
- **@getmobilized:** Happy Pride #ldnont!
- **@hendersonsk:** Did #ldnont just get sexier today?
- **@hazenw:** The day I never have to take the kipps lane bus again, I will be a substantially happier person #ldnont
- **@paul_sham:** On my way home from gym, passed Christian protestors heading to London pride parade. That's not showing the love of God. #ldnont

Worth Mentioning

ROYALS. A 10-year-old Volkswagen Golf that was once owned by Kate Middleton attracted close to $75,000 as bidding closed on eBay yesterday.

Book value on a 10-year-old Golf is about $5,700.

The difference with this used car is that it comes with a document that says it was once owned by Prince William's new bride.

She bought the car in 2001 while she was a student at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. It was there that she met and began dating Prince Andrew. After putting on about 100,000 kilometres, Kate passed the car onto her brother James in 2007. A few years later, the Middletons made a deal with a local car dealership in Berkshire, and the car ended up with the dealer owner's son, Sonny Brazil.

"When I saw who had had the car, it was quite a surprise, and I thought it might be a nice piece of history," said the 21-year-old Brazil.

With his eyes set on a down payment toward a house, Brazil decided to put the car up for auction.

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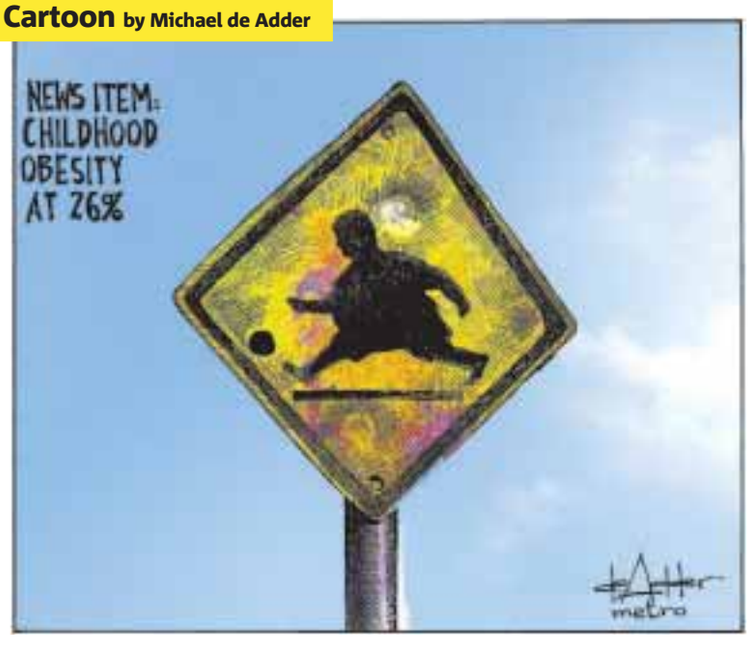

WEIRD NEWS

Study finds link between penis size, economy

To his surprise, a Finnish doctoral student has discovered size really does matter when you compare penis length and world economic growth.

But despite rigorous analysis and careful mathematical charting of data, Tatu Westling isn't quite ready to, as he puts it, "imply that I believe in causality at this point."

The Helsinki University economic doctoral student's study says penis size, more than democracy, has a "robust" effect on gross domestic product.

"One striking result is the collapse of the GDP after male organ exceeds the length of 16 centimetres," Westling concludes. "Male organ alone can explain 20 per cent of the between-country variation in GDP growth rates between 1960 and 1985."

Westling's study employs a recognized 121-country dataset also used by leading economists, including chairman of the U.S. Federal Reserve Ben Bernanke, to study economic growth.

He applies all the usual controls of a serious academic study.

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In a battle of summer movie heroes, Captain America topped Harry Potter this weekend at the box office. Studio estimates yesterday show Paramount's Captain America: The First Avenger opened at No. 1 with $65.8 million. The Marvel Comics superhero movie sets up next summer's all-star blockbuster The Avengers. Warner Bros.' Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2, the eighth and final part in the boy-wizard franchise, dropped to the second spot. It made just over $48 million in its second weekend for a domestic total of $274.1 million.

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True Blood cast and crew talk sex and season 5 at Comic-Con. Scan this code for more.

Amy Winehouse, 27, died in her London apartment on Saturday ◗ The news, like the sudden death of anyone, was both shocking and not so shocking ◗ She joins the Forever 27 Club, a collective of deceased musicians that includes Hendrix, Joplin, Morrison and Cobain

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN BOSTON

Before he died, Kurt Cobain's mother used to plead with her famous son "not to join that stupid club." The club in question is the morose collective of famous musicians who died at the age of 27.

As with its tragic newest member Amy Winehouse, who died on Saturday, the departure of these singers often leaves behind a complicated legacy.

JIMI HENDRIX (1942-1970)
This left-handed guitarist is credited with revolutionizing the way the electric guitar is played, and within his brief recording career he showed so much innovation that we are only left to speculate how different music would be today had he lived longer.

JANIS JOPLIN (1943-1970)
Joplin was known for her partying as much as her goose-bump-inducing bluesy howl. She came to prominence as singer of Big Brother and the Holding Company.

JIM MORRISON 1943-1971
The Doors singer trafficked heavily in prophecies of his own death, from his lyrical imagery of breaking on through to the other side to ghosts crowding his mind to his chants of "no one gets out of here alive!" on the Doors song, Five to One.

KURT COBAIN (1967-1994)
The Nirvana singer's brash approach to music reinvigorated rock 'n' roll in the '90s and like many of the artists in the Forever 27 Club, his image and iconography can still be seen on dorm room posters and T-shirts everywhere.

MATT DUNHAM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Amy Winehouse, the beehived British soul-jazz diva, possessed self-destructive habits that overshadowed a distinctive musical talent.

Troubled talent

Lately, Winehouse had been more famous for her druggy exploits than her performances.

Anyone who saw the YouTube footage of a June concert in Belgrade knew she was ill — she cancelled her European tour immediately after. Before Saturday, that clip was a funny train wreck. Now it looks to be a cry for help.

Winehouse had only released two discs of music, her last and most famous, Back to Black, in 2006. But although her quantity was minimal, the quality was so outstanding, and revealing, that it may have been all she could give.

She lived her life like the lyrics she wrote: her misery, heartache and self-destructive urges all spoke to a pain that connected to listeners around the world.

She told us she was trouble. But we never believed her when she said she was no good.

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Celebrity tweets

Mark Ronson

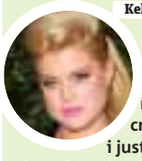
she was my musical soulmate & like a sister to me. this is one of the saddest days of my life

Lily Allen

Its just beyond sad, there's nothing else to say. She was such a lost soul, may she rest in peace.

Kate Moss

R.I.P Amy Winehouse, So upset, my heart goes out to her, sad to see such talent vanish from the world



Kelly Osbourne

i cant even breath right my now im crying so hard i just lost 1 of my best friends. i love you forever Amy & will never forget the real you!

Reader tweets

Metro readers give thier reaction:

- **@thecheckoutgirl** "When other peoples problems serve only to make you feel superior, you're missing the point of being human."
- **@jimeustice** "Her career was short, but (for better or worse) there is no Adele or singers of her ilk without #AmyWinehouse."

Timeline

Her highs and lows

Sept. 14, 1983
- Winehouse is born in Southgate, London.

1993 - her teens
- Winehouse goes to school, including the Sylvia Young Theatre School, which has an emphasis on performing arts.

2002
- She signs with Simon Fuller, music producer and American Idol creator. Winehouse can thank her then-boyfriend, singer Tyler James, for sending in her demo tape.

2003
- Her major label debut, Frank, is a critical darling, and a hit in the U.K., though it never fully crossed over in America.

2006
- Back to Black, her old-school R&B collaboration with music producer Mark Ronson, features her hits You Know I'm No Good and Rehab. It makes her an international megastar.

2008
- She wins the most Grammys ever by a female British act.

2008 and on
- It's all a blur. Despite cutting some tracks and scattered live appearances, Winehouse is more frequently seen stumbling out of nightclubs or off stage.

July 23, 2011
- Winehouse is pronounced dead by British police. The cause of death is currently unknown but an overdose is suspected.

Leo and Gossip gal still going strong

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Pair spotted shopping and dodging crowd of fans together

Despite rumours earlier this weekend that Leonardo DiCaprio and Blake Lively had split up, the pair are still very much together, sources tell Us Weekly.

"They seemed very much in love," says a source who spotted them shopping for sunglasses in Santa Barbara, Calif.

But the Inception star and his Gossip Girl gal only got about 10 minutes of browsing in "before a crowd of fans noticed them and they rushed out," the source adds.

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▶ Leonardo DiCaprio

▶ Blake Lively

▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger with sons Patrick and Christopher in 2008.

Arnie's son hurt while surfing

Despite their ongoing divorce drama, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Maria Shriver have come together after their younger son, Christopher, was involved in a harrowing surfing accident, according to TMZ.

"A few days ago our son Christopher suffered an accident at the beach," Schwarzenegger and Shriver say in a statement.

"While it has been a very scary week, Christopher is surrounded by his family and friends. He is a brave boy and is expected to make a full recovery."

Christopher reportedly incurred several broken bones and a collapsed lung and spent several days in the ICU. METRO

Bitter or wise?

Biebs will fall: Vanilla Ice

'IT'S GOING TO BE ENTERTAINING TO WATCH'

While Justin Bieber's career may be riding high now, the teen sensation shouldn't get to comfortable at the top — at least according to Vanilla Ice.

"Something else new will come along and he'll be forgotten," he tells the Huffington Post.

"It's going to be entertaining to watch."

And while it might just sound like bitterness or envy, the former rap star knows of what he speaks.

"I mean, I did Ice Ice Baby when I was 16. So I can kind of relate a bit. Sold over 100 million records," Vanilla Ice says.

"I had a weekend that lasted about three years, and I didn't know who I was, what's my purpose in life." METRO

Remembering Winehouse

@DitaVonTeese

"She was the closet thing we have ever had to Billie Holiday, she was a true soulful talent. I'm so sad. I hope she is at peace."

@aplusk

"I nevr know wht 2 post after paying respect 2 sum1 who died. Just seems lk anything funny is inappropriate. mayB I'll just go C HarryPotter"

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"Amy Winehouse. Sad sad sad. My heart goes out to her family and friends. What a waste.

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Guilt: A mother's disease

Sometimes as a mom everything can be totally perfect Yet you feel this gnawing sensation that something is just not right It may be irrational but it feels very real

ELISABETH BRAW
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Riley Harriff, 5, and his sister Maddy, 4, are happy children. They're well-adjusted, too, and do well in pre-school. But even so, their mother, Roberta, feels incessantly guilty.

"Every day I have times of feeling guilty for working too much, or having to work at all when I see so many stay-at-home moms," she says. "I feel guilty that I let them watch too much TV."

Harriff, 37, works full-time as a human resources administrator in Chicago.

"Sometimes I feel guilty because other kids are in dance classes and do sports, while we don't have the time or extra money to do those things with them right now. The guilt is constant!"

On a rational level, Harriff's guilt feelings are misplaced — but virtually every mother has them. "Mother's guilt goes back to biblical times," says Kathy Hirsh-Pasek, a professor of psychology at Temple University and the author of Einstein Never used Flashcards: How Children Really Learn and Why They Need To Play More and Memorize Less.

"But today's mothers are expected to do it all, and they don't have extended family nearby. And the grass is always greener on the other side: stay-at-home mothers want a job, 'working mothers' want to stay home, and mothers with part-time work feel insufficient in both roles."

"I have one hour in the morning and two hours before bed with my kids. It's hard to feel like you have quality time with them."
HARRIFF, WORKING MOM

But working mothers feel guilty more often. "I have one hour in the morning and two hours before bed with my kids, and most of that time is spent getting dressed, eating, and getting ready for bed," says Harriff. "It's hard to feel like you have quality time with them."

Though most scientific studies show no difference between children of stay-at-home-mothers and children of working mothers, some reports reverberate in the mother-guilt community. One, earlier this year, showed that children of working mothers gain two pounds more per year than other children.

Another study this year showed that when a mother works outside the home, her child's risk of having overnight hospitalizations, asthma episodes, injuries and poisonings increases by 200 per cent.

Roberta Harriff with Maddy and Riley.

There's no formula to fix mother's guilt, says Hirsh-Pasek. "The best mothers make peace with themselves. If you don't have dinner ready on time, don't say, 'I failed again!' See it as an opportunity to teach your child that humans are not perfect and don't have to be."

Julia's trick

"Nope." That was Julia Roberts' answer when asked if she experienced mom guilt.
She decided to be more selective about work, which is probably not possible for you.
But you could do this: "I try to have a steadfast rule that I run a kitchen, not a diner. So, I just make one meal...and I have to cook what I think we're all going to enjoy," she told Access Hollywood.

Saving the world's oceans

Philippe Cousteau Jr. talks to Metro about his efforts to educate on conserving the world's oceans

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The acute decaying health of the world's oceans surfaced in a report by the International Programme on the State of the Ocean in June. Metro met Philippe Cousteau Jr., grandson of legendary filmmaker and marine biologist Jacques Cousteau, in London to discuss the future of our coral reefs.

What is the future of the coral reefs?

A recent report cited coral reefs as one of the indicators of the general decline in ocean health.

By some estimates we've lost already about 25 per cent of the world's coral reefs. And further estimates suggest that over the next few decades we'll lose another 25 per cent.

What will happen if we lose the coral reefs?

A tremendous amount of seafood either has its origins in, or is related to, coral reef ecosystems and a lot of people rely on them, especially developing nations.

If the coral reefs had been healthy along the coastlines in South East Asia, the damage of the tsunami would have been greatly reduced.

Protecting nature for nature's sake isn't always enough justification for everybody in the world; it ought to be, but there are real human issues here as well, so corals are very important.

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▶ Philippe Cousteau Jr., says coral reefs place a unique role in safeguarding our human habitat.

"Eat less meat, more local and seasonal produce. Use organic cotton and public transport. Every person in the world has power to make the world a better place."
PHILIPPE COUSTEAU JR

Why is the health of the coral reefs declining?

Coral is coloured because of an algae living inside it. As oceanic temperature rises, which is happening all over the world, the algae leaves and the coral can't survive. If corals are dying, it means that throughout the oceans something is wrong. It's a great indicator of pollution.

How does coral gardening work?

The corals are taken out of the ocean and put under lamps and given perfectly clean water and perfect temperatures, just like you would in a nursery with a tree or a plant or flowers.

What can we do as individuals to save the seas?

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Hit notes, not nerves

Breaking the silence can reduce the number of music-related injuries

Music is a surprisingly muscle-intensive activity, says Michael Macaulay, a 22-year-old bassoonist currently afflicted with a strained wrist.

Last week, Macaulay attended a workshop on injury prevention as part of his training with the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. "It's a much more physical process than people realize, to perform (on) a musical instrument," said Macaulay. "It takes a lot of really muscular work to get through a long concert program."

That's why professional musicians tend to be diligent, highly technical and spend endless hours rehearsing.

"These people are very disciplined and very talented. They're like Olympic athletes," says Toronto-based audiologist Dr. Marshall Chasin, who also took part in the workshop held at the University of Western Ontario. For young musicians just beginning to carve out their careers, every show and every moment of practice can seem precious. They suffer silently through pain, afraid to speak up out of fear of disqualifying themselves from a job or being forced to take a week-long hiatus.

But by keeping quiet, they risk exacerbating the injury to the point that they may have to put down the instrument for good.

The National Youth Orchestra is hoping to change that culture of silence by providing its students with information on injury prevention. The organization incorporates stretches, warmups, massage techniques and information on various injury treatments into its program.

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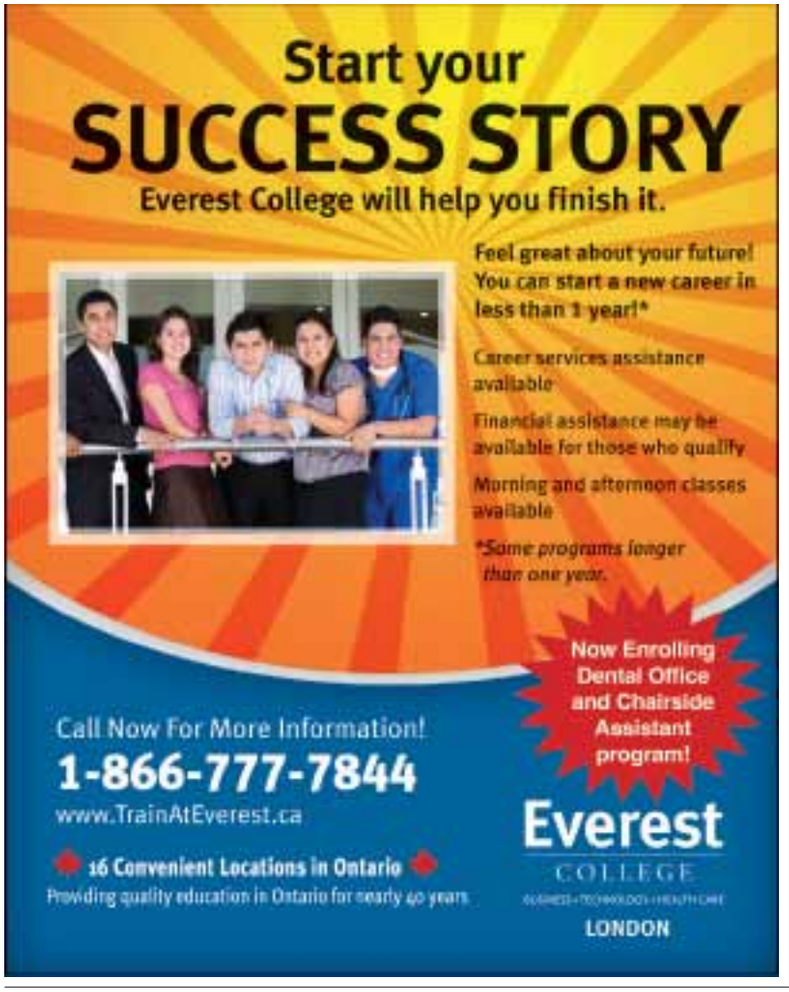
▶ Is it painful to play?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Ali Asaria says he's fearless when it comes to computers. "I'm not afraid of breaking things and I take risks."

His first job was at Research in Motion and in his spare time, Asaria developed the game called Brickbreaker. It is now the most popular mobile game in the world on close to 40 million Blackberries. "Even U.S. President Obama likes playing it," Asaria says with a laugh.

▶ Ali Asaria

Three years ago Ali decided it was time to take another risk. He sold off everything he owned, and started his own e-commerce company based on his father's successful pharmacy business in Guelph, Ont.

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▶ Cadel Evans, in yellow, turns the corner at l'Arc de Triomphe yesterday during the final stage of the Tour de France

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Aussie Evans cruises to victory on final day of Tour de France

Cadel Evans won the Tour de France yesterday, becoming the first Australian champion to win cycling's greatest race.
The 34-year-old Evans crossed the finish line on the Champs-Élysées at the end of the largely ceremonial final stage. He had virtually secured the title with his ride in the time trial in Grenoble a day earlier.
Andy Schleck of Luxembourg finished second overall for the third straight year, with brother Frank Schleck in third.

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Jays get Cooperstown send-off

Former Toronto second baseman Alomar and GM Gillick go into Hall of Fame side by side

The Toronto Blue Jays have finally built a nest in Cooperstown.

Roberto Alomar and Pat Gillick were given plaques beside one another in the Baseball Hall of Fame after getting inducted as part of the same class yesterday. It was fitting, as each of their memorials included a reference to the World Series titles they won together in Toronto in 1992 and '93.

Alomar spoke passionately about the five seasons he spent as a member of the Blue Jays during his acceptance speech.

The sharp-fielding second baseman thanked Gillick for the 1990 trade that brought him to Toronto and indicated the honour is a chance to give back to the fans in the city.

"My time in Toronto was the best of my career," said Alomar. "It was with Toronto that we won two World Series together — you guys embraced me from Day 1. You were with me through ups and downs and I am so proud to represent you here in Cooperstown as the first Toronto Blue Jay inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame."

The other Hall of Famers who once played for the Blue Jays — Phil Niekro, Paul Molitor, Dave Winfield and Rickey Henderson — were on stage as part of a group of returning members. But each of their careers were defined in other cities and carry different logos on their plaques.

Alomar is the first inducted with the Jays logo.

Gillick's speech included numerous references to the Blue Jays, a team he joined prior to the expansion season of 1977 and helped build into a powerhouse.

"We thought it would be a great new challenge, accepted it and ended up living 30 years in that beautiful Canadian city," said Gillick. "For a baseball person, it was a dream come true — imagine being able to build a team from scratch in a city where everyone was excited about finally having a major-league team."

Former Minnesota Twins pitcher Bert Blyleven was also inducted alongside Alomar and Gillick.

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"I consider the Toronto Blue Jays organization as an extension of my own family."
ROBERTO ALOMAR

Power pulls off Edmonton Indy win

Australia's Will Power held off a hard-charge from Team Penske teammate Helio Castroneves yesterday to win the Edmonton Indy.

Power started second, overtook pole-sitter and leader Takuma Sato a quarter of the way through the race, then held off Castroneves to win by eight-tenths of a second.

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▶ Will Power

NFLPA still poring over owners' proposal

A vote on a settlement to the lockout is what every NFL fan wants. Nobody is sure when that will happen.

The players' executive committee will meet today after lawyers worked through the weekend on the issues holding up an agreement with the owners. Several people with knowledge of the meeting have told The Associated Press that no vote to recommend a deal is certain today.

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"I just think you appreciate the blessings you have ... I'm not the type of player that is going to win 10 times in a year. I just think I've learned to appreciate being where I am right now."

SEAN O'HAIR, WHO BEAT KRIS BLANKS YESTERDAY TO WIN THE RBC CANADIAN OPEN AT THE SHAUGHNESSY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB IN VANCOUVER. BLANKS MISSED A BOGEY PUTT ON THE FIRST HOLE OF A SUDDEN-DEATH PLAYOFF TO HAND O'HAIR THE VICTORY. IT WAS O'HAIR'S FOURTH PGA TOUR VICTORY BUT HIS FIRST SINCE 2009. HE SHOT A 2-UNDER 68 TO FINISH AT 4 UNDER AT THE $5.2-MILLION US TOURNAMENT.

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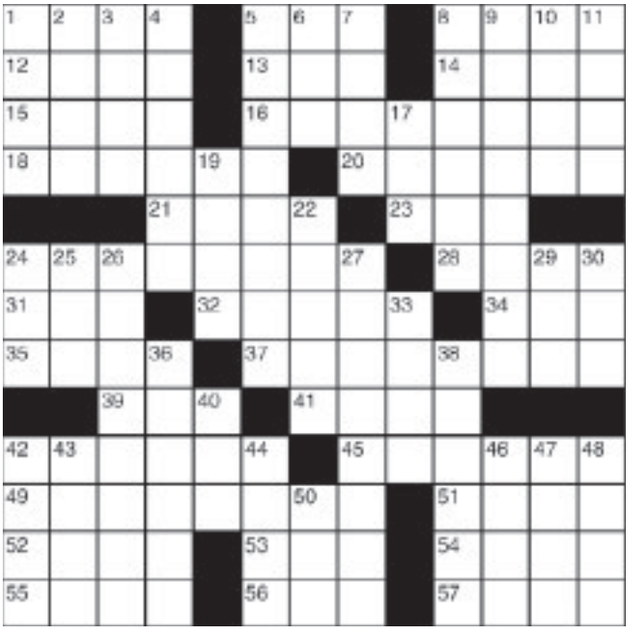

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23 That woman
24 Bridge player who calls trump
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▶ Yesterday's answer

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

7	4	3	9	2	5	1	8	6
1	2	8	6	7	4	9	3	5
5	6	9	3	1	8	4	2	7
9	5	6	2	4	3	8	7	1
4	1	7	8	5	6	2	9	3
8	3	2	7	9	1	5	6	4
6	9	4	5	3	2	7	1	8
3	7	5	1	8	9	6	4	2
2	8	1	4	6	7	3	5	9

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Lovely Lady
Sun is shining, flowers are smiling but hey even the flowers can't beat your smile. Wishing you a very wonderful day, my love. ha-ha :):)LOL **FROM BLOVER WHO MISSES YOUR SMILE A LOT**

Penguin
Wow..I have a GF really, since when? The only person I ever loved is a blond gal with big beautiful eyes and a killer smile, and whom I have not seen for last 3 weeks. And whom I met 2 years ago and lost my heart about a year ago. There is a great misunderstanding or somebody tried to create it. Anyway have a lovely night n great weekend!
FROM DJ FISH

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Yes, you need an outlet for your stress but no, splashing out on things you can't afford isn't the way.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Give others the benefit of the doubt today, even if they don't really deserve it.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 There is no cosmic law that says you have to conform to what other people think

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 The planets indicate this is a good day for using your time and your talents to assist those who are in some way less fortunate than you

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 The ends never justify the means – unless, of course, the means are undoubtedly good.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Virgo is ruled by Mercury, planet of communication, so speak up

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You may prefer to keep a romantic interest private but that may not be possible today

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Sweep the object of your desire off his or her feet.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 If you need a favor from someone in a position of authority now is the time to ask

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 If the only way to get on the right side of someone is to make out that feel the same way as they do then maybe this relationship isn't the right one for you

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You may not be the sort who can forgive and forget easily but what choice do you have?

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. There are only one or two things in your life at the moment that are truly important.

SALLY BROMPTON

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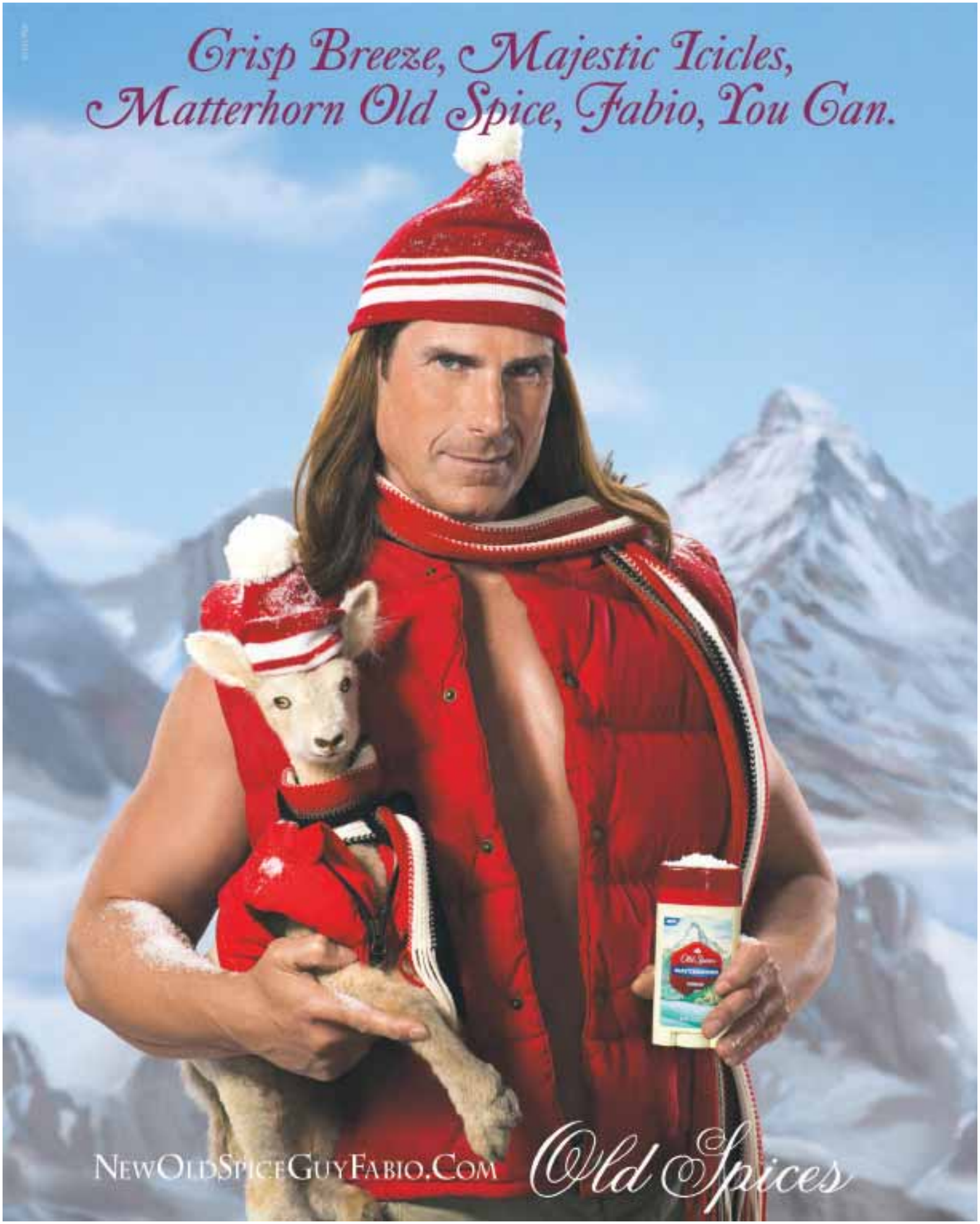
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